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54/234. The causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 46/151 of 18 December 1991, the annex to which contains the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s, its resolutions 48/214 of 23 December 1993, 49/142 of 23 December 1994 and 51/32 of 6 December 1996, on the mid-term review of the New Agenda, as well as its resolution 53/90 of 7 December 1998 on the implementation of the New Agenda,

Recalling also its resolution 53/92 of 7 December 1998 on the causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace in Africa,

Mindful of agreed conclusions 1999/2 adopted by the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session of 1999,[1] on coordination of the policies and activities of the specialized agencies and other bodies of the United Nations system related to the theme "Development of Africa: implementation and coordinated follow-up by the United Nations system of initiatives on African development", and of Council decision 1999/270,

[1] A/54/3, chapter V, para. 6. For the final text, see *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 3* (A/54/3/Rev.1).

Taking note of the deliberations of the Security Council at its meeting on the situation in Africa, held on 29 and 30 September 1999,[2] on the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the recommendations contained in the report on the causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa[3] and of the work of the Security Council on the follow-up to the report of the Secretary-General,

Taking note with appreciation of the report of the Secretary-General to the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council on the development of Africa: implementation of the recommendations in the report of the Secretary-General to the Security Council and the General Assembly, specifically the implementation and coordinated follow-up by the United Nations system of initiatives on Africa,[4]

1. *Welcomes* agreed conclusions 1999/2 adopted by the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session of 1999,[1] on coordination of the policies and activities of the specialized agencies and other bodies of the United Nations system related to the theme "Development of Africa: implementation and coordinated follow-up by the United Nations system of initiatives on African development", and Council decision 1999/270;

2. *Requests* all Governments and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations in their respective areas and sectors to work towards the implementation of agreed conclusions 1999/2;

3. *Welcomes* the decision of the Economic and Social Council to hold a high-level segment on Africa in 2001;

4. *Stresses* the paramount importance for the final review and appraisal of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s, to be held in 2002, of an independent evaluation of the New Agenda that should include a thorough review of existing initiatives on Africa;

5. *Decides* to consider at its fifty-sixth session the modalities for undertaking the final review and appraisal of the New Agenda, taking into account the mid-term review of the New Agenda, agreed conclusions 1999/2 and decision 1999/270;

6. *Requests* the President of the General Assembly to establish the open-ended ad hoc working group to monitor the implementation of the recommendations made by the Secretary-General in his report to the General Assembly and the Security Council on the causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa,[5] to prepare for discussions at the fifty-fifth session of the General Assembly;

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[2] See S/PV.4049, S/PV.4049 (Resumption 1), S/PV.4049 (Resumption 2) and S/PV.4049 (Resumption 3). For the final text, see *Official Records of the Security Council, Fifty-fourth Year*, 4049th meeting.

[3] S/1999/1008; see *Official Records of the Security Council, Fifty-fourth Year, Supplement for October, November and December 1999*.

[4] A/54/133–E/1999/79.

[5] A/52/871–S/1998/318; see *Official Records of the Security Council, Fifty-third Year, Supplement for April, May and June 1998*, document S/1999/318.

7. *Requests* that, in addition to monitoring the recommendations referred to in paragraph 6 above, the ad hoc working group monitor the implementation of agreed conclusions 1999/2 and of decision 1999/270, as well as poverty eradication, debt relief, the human immunodeficiency virus/acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (HIV/AIDS) and support to countries in post-conflict situations;

8. *Requests* the President of the General Assembly at its fifty-fourth session to establish the ad hoc working group, to serve as its ex officio chairman, to designate, in close consultation with Member States, two vice-chairpersons and to convene an organizational meeting of the ad hoc working group not later than March 2000 to decide on modalities and develop arrangements for the effective functioning of the ad hoc working group;

9. *Requests* the Secretary-General to provide the ad hoc working group with all necessary assistance to ensure the accomplishment of its mandate;

10. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its fifty-fifth session on the implementation of the present resolution.

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